

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the Title to read as follows:

"PORTIONS OF SOLUBLE RECOMBINANT BOTULINUM TOXINS"

Please replace the paragraph before the section "Field of the Invention" beginning at page 1, line 4 with the following paragraph:

This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/354,774, filed January 30, 2003, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/704,159, filed August 28, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/405,496 filed March 16, 1995, now issued U.S. Patent No. 5,919,665, the disclosure of each of which is hereby incorporated in its entirety by reference herein.

Please amend the "Field of the Invention" beginning at page 1, line 4 to read as follows:

The present invention relates to portions of recombinant *Clostridium botulinum* toxin proteins which are produced in soluble form.

Please amend the "Abstract of the Invention" beginning at page 451, line 1 to read as follows:

The present invention includes portions of soluble recombinant botulinum toxins. The invention also includes soluble fusion proteins which may comprise a portion of a botulinum toxin protein and a non-toxin protein sequence.